Maine Revised Statutes

Title 12: CONSERVATION

Chapter 923: FISH: FISHING SEASONS AND RESTRICTIONS HEADING: PL 2003, c. 414, Pt. A, §2 (new); Pt. D, §7 (aff); c. 614, §9 (aff)

§12663-B. UNLAWFUL SALE OF LEAD SINKERS AND BARE LEAD JIGS

- 1. **Definitions.** As used in this section, unless the context otherwise indicates, the following terms have the following meanings.
 - A. "Bare lead jig" means an unpainted lead jig that contains lead and that:
 - (1) Weighs one ounce or less; or
 - (2) Measures 2 1/2 inches or less in length. [2013, c. 372, §2 (NEW).]
 - B. "Lead sinker" means a device that contains lead that is designed to be attached to a fishing line and intended to sink the line and that:
 - (1) Weighs one ounce or less; or
 - (2) Measures 2 1/2 inches or less in length.

"Lead sinker" does not include artificial lures, weighted line, weighted flies or jig heads. [2013, c. 372, §2 (NEW).]

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[ 2013, c. 372, §2 (NEW) .]
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- Sale of lead sinker or bare lead jig. This subsection governs the sale of lead sinkers and bare lead jigs.
 - A. A person may not:
 - (1) Sell a lead sinker; or
 - (2) Beginning September 1, 2016, sell a bare lead jig. [2013, c. 372, §2 (NEW).]
 - B. A person who violates this subsection commits a civil violation for which a fine of not less than \$100 nor more than \$500 may be adjudged. [2013, c. 372, $\S 2$ (NEW).]
 - C. A person who violates this subsection after having been adjudicated as having committed 3 or more civil violations under this Part within the previous 5-year period commits a Class E crime. [2013, c. 372, §2 (NEW).]

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- 3. Offer lead sinker or bare lead jig for sale. This subsection governs offering lead sinkers and bare lead jigs for sale.
 - A. A person may not:
 - (1) Offer for sale a lead sinker; or
 - (2) Beginning September 1, 2016, offer for sale a bare lead jig. [2013, c. 372, §2 (NEW).]
 - B. A person who violates this subsection commits a civil violation for which a fine of not less than \$100 nor more than \$500 may be adjudged. [2013, c. 372, §2 (NEW).]

C. A person who violates this subsection after having been adjudicated as having committed 3 or more civil violations under this Part within the previous 5-year period commits a Class E crime. [2013, c. 372, §2 (NEW).]

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